9. Shri M.V. Kamath
10. Shri Bhupen Hazarika
11. Ms. Anjolie Ela Menon
12. Ms. Sonal Man Singh
13. Ms. Aparna Sen
14. Dr. K.J. Yesudas
15. Union Minister for Culture (ex-officio)
16. Union Minister of Urban Development (ex-officio)
17. Shri L.M. Singhvi
18. Shri M.S. Swaminathan
19. Shri Vedantham Sathyanarayana Sharma

Condition of Hampi Group of Monuments

493. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that UNESCO have declared the Hampi Group of monuments in Karnataka as heritage site and suggested early care and attention;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) The World Heritage site of Hampi has been declared an endangered site by the UNESCO in view of the certain construction activities undertaken at the site.

(c) The Government of Karnataka on the advice of Government of India has set up a high level Task Force for the preservation and maintenance of Hampi monuments.

Green Channel Clearance for Importers and Exporters

494. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are providing any green channel clearances for importers and exporters whose clearances are more than Rupees one crore per year at ICD, PPG, Delhi; and